

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Applicant(s) : Ackermann et al.
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OF A MODULAR ANALYSIS SYSTEM
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Commissioner for Patents
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114
AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Amendment After Final Rejection is being filed in response to the final Office Action mailed 20 August 2008. A request for three-month extension of time is enclosed herewith, together with the requisite fee, making the response due 20 February 2009. The RCE filing fee is also submitted herewith pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(e). Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks below, which include, in order of appearance, beginning on separate sheets:

- Amendments to the Claims; and
- Remarks.